

To-day's Advertisements.

FOOD SUPPLY COMMISSION.

THE Ladies who signed the Petition which resulted in the Appointment of the above named COMMISSION are respectfully requested to assist the Commission in the conduct of its enquiries by communicating in writing as early as possible all facts within their experience bearing on the question of the Rise in Price of Provisions in the Colony. List of Prices paid for the more Ordinary Articles of Food produced locally, as for Example, Bread, Flour, Rice, Fish, Beef, Mutton, Eggs, Poultry and Game, Vegetables and Fruit, at various Periods during the last Five Years will be extremely valuable. Similar Lists showing the Prices at different times of Wood, Coal, Charcoal and Oil will also be of value.

All Persons who feel themselves in a Position to throw any light on the subject either as regards the fact of the Rise in Prices or as to the cause or causes thereof are respectfully requested to communicate with the Undersigned in writing or, if they prefer it, to tender themselves for examination as witnesses.

J. NO. J. FRANCIS, Chairman.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900.

TO LET.

A FIVE ROOMED FURNISHED HOUSE IN CAINE ROAD.

Apply to

TO LET.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship.

Captain Hall, will be despatched on the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 1st June, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., Ltd., General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [698b]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, HOKO AND CERU.

THE Company's Steamship.

"KALONG."

Captain Pennefather will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 1st June, at 1 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [699b]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship.

"AIRLIE."

Captain St. John George will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 2nd June, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia, are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [598b]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship.

"SUNGKIANG."

Captain Moore will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 2nd June, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [698b]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, FUMAH AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to South Africa, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT AND AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship.

"GISELA."

Captain E. Mosca, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 2nd June, P.M.

Silk and Valuable are transhipped on arrival at Bombay via an accelerated liner.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WILKER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [708b]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "OLDENBURG."

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 6th June, and MONDAY, the 11th June, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 14th June, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [22]

To-day's Advertisements.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undersigned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on MONDAY, the 4th June, (WHIT MONDAY).

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

T. F. SANSON, Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

H. M. BEVIS, Acting Chief Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager.

For the MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, Hongkong Agency.

L. BERINDOAGUE, Acting Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG.

J. C. BERGENDAH, Manager.

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED, S. CHOH, Manager.

For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA, E. W. KUTTER, Acting Manager.

For the DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK, H. SCHUTTLER, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [706b]

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

THE Undersigned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on MONDAY, the 4th June, (WHIT MONDAY).

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD. General Managers.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

For the UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANON, LTD.

W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

For the NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LTD.

W. H. PERCIVAL, Agent.

For the CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

H. F. WADMAN, Acting Secretary.

For the YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

For the CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [707b]

THE OSAKA SHOSHA KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship.

"NANPING MARU."

Captain J. Sato, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th June, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE MITSUBI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [705b]

Intimations.

EYE-SIGHT.

NOTICE.

I am continuing my Sight Testing Rooms in Hongkong W. BREWER & CO. at which during my ABSENCE will be IN CHARGE of Mr. McIVER, Member Ph. S. A. Register of all classes supplied my constituents in the Far East is kept here, and any kind of Ordinary or Special Lenses can be obtained.

REPAIRS A SPECIALITY.

M. LAZARUS.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [674b]

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

WINE MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

CLARETS.

Per Case of 12 Bottles.

Per Case of 6 Bottles.

Per Case of 3 Bottles.

Per Case of 1 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/2 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/4 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/8 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/16 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/32 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/64 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/128 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/256 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/512 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/1024 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/2048 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/4096 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/8192 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/16384 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/32768 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/65536 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/131072 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/262144 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/524288 Bottle.

Per Case of 1/1048576 Bottle.

BIRTHS.

At All Saints', Tientsin, on Sunday, May 13th, the wife of Rev. G. D. DUFF, of a son.

On the 14th of May, at Rusholme, Chelso, the wife of Lieut. W. A. WATTS-JONES, R.E., of a son.

On the 22nd May, at No. 17, Nile Range Road, Shanghai, the wife of THOMAS FERGUSON, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

At Tientsin, on Monday, May 14th, ADAM, EDGAR, second son of E. Mauksch, aged 6 years and 5 months.

On 21st inst., of influenza, DOROTHY GILFILLAN, M.B., Edin., only daughter of Mr. Samuel Gilfillan. By cable.

On Tuesday, 22nd inst., at Singapore, MARY ANN MARGARET, the wife of Charles Simon, of Ipoh, Perak.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 1900.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Philippine Commission.

The Philippine Commission appointed by President McKinley, and of which Judge TAIT is President, is now in Hongkong on its way to Manila. With all due respect to the Members of the body, for whose attainments we entertain the greatest possible respect, we really do not see that they will be able to accomplish any more than their predecessors. The former Commission spent a considerable time in the Philippines, made various enquiries here and there, cost the United States Government a considerable sum in travelling expenses, salaries, etc., and then returned to the United States and published a most lengthy and exhaustive report upon their labours. With the publication of the report the work done by the Commission ceased, for it did not advance the cause of either the Americans or the Filipinos one iota and nobody benefited thereby.

We trust that Judge TAIT's Commission will proceed upon different lines. He and his colleagues are to decide upon the best form of government for the Philippines, and to put that government on a firm basis. Let them do so by all means, but let them go about matters in a sensible manner and look at both sides of the question. To attain this end we contend that it will be necessary to grant a cessation of hostilities for a sufficiently long period to allow of the Filipino leaders coming to consult with the Members of the Commission and lay their views before them, and it will be also necessary to guarantee them safe conduct to and from the American lines.

The Americans say that they do not want to govern the Philippines for their own benefit. The possession of the islands has been more or less forced upon them by circumstances, and their one and only object is to establish a stable form of government which shall be acceptable to natives and Americans alike. So far, however, the American Authorities have only shown their benevolent intentions by words and not by deeds. They lay, from the very beginning, absolutely ignored the Filipinos, with the exception of that very small minority who were too unprincipled to care who was at the head of affairs and who consequently threw in their lot with the Americans. They have tried to deceive themselves and the people of the United States by the oft repeated statement that the present opposition to American rule was not the action of the whole population, but of a very small section who were working for their own ends. Events speak for themselves, however, and the most sanguine wisher of the United States cannot help but admit that though the whole power of the Republic has been brought to bear upon the so-called insurrection, yet it has not waned in intensity, but has rather gathered force with time, despite the fact that the resources of the people have been strained to the uttermost and they have had to bear all the horrors of war when submission would have meant peace.

Therefore, say we, if the present Commission is to establish a stable government, which will not cost the United States millions of dollars and hundreds of lives, it must take the bull by the horns and obtain the views of the Filipino leaders. Not the few who have for private reasons handed in their allegiance and who certain Americans are so fond of parading as the flower of the Filipino stock, but the true leaders whose dogged resistance to both Spanish and American control has earned for them the love and respect of their fellow countrymen and who, in spite of immense hardships, have so far successfully defied the power of the United States. If the present Commission can but come to talk matters over with these men and by conceding a point here and there arrive at a settlement acceptable to them, then we have no hesitation in saying that all opposition to American control will be at an end.

But the Commission must not approach the Filipinos with the idea that it has nothing but a set of savages to deal with to whom it can lay down the law and teach what it considers to be best for the Filipinos. The Commission will find that it has to deal with a body of highly educated gentlemen whose attainments are fully equal to those of the various Members of the Commission. We shall watch future proceedings with interest, for we believe that one half of the trouble in the Philippines has been occasioned by high-handed action and misunderstanding. Hustling will not do in Oriental countries and this the Americans must learn to appreciate if they ever wish to shine as a Colonial Power.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

THE ADVANCE IN THE TRANSVAAL.

COAL MINES SAVED.

LONDON, May 28th.

Lord Roberts was at Vereeniging on the 27th inst., having crossed the

Vaal in the morning. The force is now encamped on the North bank.

The advance of the troops only just prevented the destruction of the coal mines on both banks of the river.

British casualties amounted to four.

THE WESTERN FRONTIER.

The railway from Mafeking to Bulawayo is restored.

THE FREE STATE.

GENERAL ADVANCE.

General Rundle's division is moving steadily to the eastward. Three columns occupied Senekal on the 27th inst. General Rundle is advancing with Col. Campbell from Trommel, and Col. Boyes from the left from Bestersdorp, and General Brabant from Ficksburg.

NAVAL.

ENEMY HOLD TWO PASSES.

Reuter's correspondent at Newcastle says that detachments of the enemy are frequently appearing near Ingogo. The British have blocked Van Reenen's pass, but the enemy hold Muller's and Botha's passes.

LATER.

RUSSIA AND COREA.

THE NEW AGREEMENT.

Mr. Broderick stated in the House of Commons that the new agreement between Russia and Korea has no reference to sovereign rights. That it grants a concession similar to that granted to Japan at Masampo. The Government had no knowledge of any intention of Russia to erect fortifications on the conceded site.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—

On the 30th at 11.55 a.m. barometric changes are slight. Pressure remains low, apparently, over Japan. Gradients slight with variable winds on the China coast. FORECAST:—W. and varying winds, moderate or light; fair.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. Tamar went into dock at Hunkong today.

At the Singapore races the other day, J. Bull was riding Kruger.

LO HANG, from Macao, was to-day fined \$25 for being in possession of lottery tickets for sale.

DURING the rain yesterday afternoon, there was a drop in the temperature of nine degrees, but it rose again very shortly.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the Food Supply Commission appearing in our new advertisement column.

H.M. DESTROYERS *Fame* and *Whiting* arrived at Shanghai on 23rd inst. and were expected to stay there a few days before proceeding to Wei-hai-wei.

It is stated that, by an Imperial Decree issued at Peking, H.E. Li Hung-chang has been confirmed in his appointment as Viceroy of the Two Kwangs.

THE Russian transport *Night Neigoral*, Capt. Sobolev, arrived at Singapore from Odessa on 21st inst. on route for Vladivostok. She has 805 emigrants on board, and left next day.

A NAVAL yard is about to be constructed at Ching-wan-tao by the Chinese Government, and the P. & T. Times believes that Mr. von Hanneken is to superintend the work, which is estimated to cost over six million taels.

H. E. SHENG left Shanghai for Hankow by the China Merchants steamer *Kindgy* on the 22nd inst. in connection, it is stated, with the Lu-Han Railway and will also visit Wuchang to inspect the Han Yang Ironworks, of which he is also Director-General.

We note that Mr. Chamberlain recommends that the salary of the Governor of the Straits Settlements be raised to £5,000 per annum, so that the Straits and Hongkong Governorships will be on a par as far as salary goes. Who wouldn't be a governor?

QUEEN'S Birthday was celebrated in Shanghai by a parade of the crews of H.M. Ships *Herminie*, *Fame*, *Whiting*, and *Waterwitch*, after which the men were entertained at tiffin. Mr. Pelham Warren, the British Consul-General, held a reception in the afternoon.

According to a notice published in Shanghai papers, H.B.M.'s surveying ship *Waterwitch* is shortly to commence surveying to the north of Shawsichan and commanders of vessels are requested to keep clear of the beacons which will be laid down in various places.

A memorial to the Acting Governor from the subordinate staff of the Government service, praying for a similar to per cent. allowance to their salaries as was granted in 1897, is being circulated at Penang for signature. The memorialists rest their case on the enhanced prices of food stuffs, articles of clothing, and furniture, high house rents and wages of servants, &c.

It is with regret that we hear a rumour is in circulation to the effect that the Colony is to sustain a loss in the person of the Hon. Herbert Smith.

It is said that the gentleman in question is severing his connection with the firm of Butterfield & Swire, and is leaving the Colony by the next homeward mail. If the report proves to be true we shall have another vacancy in the Legislative Council.

THE Grand Review of troops of the Kiangsu province has been postponed till the middle of June next instead of on the 2nd as previously intended.

Governor Lu knowing that a good number of outbreaks, probably Boxers, have recently come from some other places to the vicinity of Soochow and fearing that disturbances will occur, has thought it necessary to keep soldiers in readiness.

It is curious to note that, as the Canadian Parliament has so far refused to pass any act calculated to stop the ingress of Chinese and Japanese into British Columbia as a partial method of prevention, and as a means of excluding Chinamen from working in the

The people of Kiao-mi district, Shantung, are creating such continual trouble in consequence of the German line, that General Yuan has consulted with the German authorities in order to divert the line some 80 li from the district.

A Peking dispatch received in Shanghai states that the Empress Dowager, Emperor, and their household have been spending the winter at the Summer Palace, and will return to Peking for the summer during the first week of June next.

At Kienbau, in the Negri Sembilan, a Chief's daughter has eloped with a Chinese carpenter, an offence now attended with impunity under the British protectorate. Under the Malay law of old, the elopers would have been quickly stoned to death.

The Siam Government has taken steps to do away with forced labour—a long standing evil in Siam. A beginning has been made in the North West provinces of the Kingdom by passing a decree laying on a poll tax in commutation of forced labour.

When Sir George White called on Prince Christian the latter is said to have asked, "I don't suppose I will have my boy" (Prince Christian Victor) "home for twelve months, shall I?" "Oh, yes; I think the war will be over in three months," was the reply.

When the rain fell in Peking the other day, the Empress Dowager took occasion to point out to those around her, that this happy result was undoubtedly due to the sincere prayers of the Emperor and his representatives in the Throne in the rain services. She said it was a clear proof how entirely Heaven approved of his appointment.

A WRITER in the German paper *Hochzeitung* says: "It is an open secret that Lord Roberts has no idea where General Cronje was; not a trace of him could be found. At last a captured Boer was threatened with death if he would not reveal his hiding-place. He revealed, and got a five-pound note for his pains, which he immediately tore to pieces."

According to the *P. & T. Times*, the Tientsin Magistrate has issued a notification prohibiting people from keeping more than five tins of kerosene on their premises, and urging the use of earth instead of water in extinguishing overturned lamps etc. The price of candles is going up, but kerosene has not levelled down yet as much as was expected.

THE CRUSADE AGAINST BROTHELS.

The hearing of a further batch of summonses against brothel keepers was amongst the cases at the Magistracy this morning. Mr. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, appearing for the Prosecution, and Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., for the defence. Mr. Bowley, in stating his case, reviewed the action of the police for the past few months, and pressed his Worship for an order to make occupiers of these houses quit within 24 hours. Mr. Francis maintained a line of defence similar to that in the cases heard last Wednesday. He signified the action of Inspector Lee as grossly illegal. This bullying and threatening towards these women had been totally unjustified, and he contended that Inspector Lee on every visit he made to these houses, as he had been doing, was rendering himself liable to prosecution. Mr. Bowley protested against his friend's unjust attack on Inspector Lee, who, he said, had simply done his duty as ordered by the Government. His Worship gave an order for the defendants to vacate their houses by the 1st July, and the defendants, some thirty in number, were marshalled into the court and duly informed.

STABBING AFFRAY.

Rather a serious case of disorderly conduct and assault on the police came up at the Magistracy this morning, when five Japanese sailors appeared before Mr. Compton, charged with disorderly conduct and with having attacked with knives, sticks, and pieces of iron, a European sergeant and constable, and in the case of a Chinese constable with having stabbed him in the back. Police Sergeant Cameron and Constable Deveney with great difficulty effected the arrest of these ruffians—in fact one of the prisoners was one mass of bloody scars from head to foot. It would appear that at Hong Kong where this occurred, quarrels between the Chinese and Japanese sailors are becoming very common, and the police are continually having to settle these rows. His Worship took a lenient view of the case, and sentenced three of the prisoners to 14 days imprisonment with hard labour, the fourth and fifth being respectively awarded one and three months with hard labour.

THE LINER "HAMBURG" ON VIEW.

Yesterday afternoon a large number of Hongkong residents proceeded to Kowloon to look over the new Hamburg-America liner *Hamburg*, on the invitation of Captain Lubbock. The visitors were politely received at the gangway and were escorted over the vessel, the band playing meanwhile and light refreshment being supplied on the starboard side of the spar deck. The *Hamburg* is a magnificent vessel of 10,599 tons gross, and was launched this year from the Vulcan Shipbuilding Company's works at Stettin. She is 320 feet in length, has a beam of 60 feet and draws 30 feet of water. Her twin screw quadruple engines drive her at seventeen knots, and she is said to be a capital sea boat. It is in her interior arrangements that the *Hamburg* surprises one, however. Her saloon, music and smoking rooms are upholstered in the most lavish style and are palatial in their dimensions. Electric fans running in every cabin keep the temperature down and ensure good ventilation, which is a matter which might well receive the attention of our English steamship companies. Just imagine what a boon an electric fan must be in one's cabin in the Red Sea. The first-class cabins are very large and are most comfortably and tastefully furnished. Instead of the old-fashioned basins, yachts-furnishings are supplied, which shut up when not in use and are transformed at will into a handy writing table. The ladies too, have not been forgotten, for each cabin possesses a wardrobe in which dresses can be hung up, instead of being tumbled into trunks where they are ruined by creases. The first-class cabins accommodate 230 passengers, and are all situated on the upper deck. Under the poop are the second-class cabins, with a spacious saloon, music and smoking rooms, all elaborately furnished,

and indeed much superior to the first class accommodation on many mail steamers which we could name. In fact, the cabins being somewhat smaller and situated aft instead of amidships, we would as soon travel second as first class by this ocean hotel. As regards boats and safety appliances, the *Hamburg* is thoroughly up to date, and her great size and large beam should make her a most comfortable ship to travel by. She is certainly the finest vessel of her class that we have ever seen in Hongkong. She left for Europe at noon to-day with a large number of passengers, whom we certainly envy.

IMPERIAL DECREES.

24th May.
(1) Tan Chung-hin, Viceroy of the Two Kuang provinces, is commanded to remain on duty at Peking, and Li Hung-chang's acting Viceroy of said provinces is hereby confined into a substantive post.
(2) Notice of receipt of news of death of Hsu Shu-min, President of Board of Works.
(3) Hsu Hui-li is appointed President of the Board of Works vice Hsu Shu-min deceased, and Wu Ting-feng is appointed President of the Court of Censors vice Hsu Hui-li promoted as above.—*N. C. D. News.*

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

The annual report of the China Association gives the following useful table of railways actually built, in course of construction, or projected, in China—

- (A) Railways completed and working—
1. The Imperial Chinese Northern Railway from Peking to Tientsin and Shanhaikwan (with extension to Simsiming and Newchwang nearly completed).
2. Peking to Pootung-fu (built by the Chinese Government, but incorporated as part of the Lu-Han line).
3. Shanghai to Woosung (built by the Chinese Government, but to be incorporated as part of the Shanghai-Soochow system).
- (B) Railways in progress or projected, for which Concessions have been granted to Japan—for railways—
1. From Seoul to Chemulpo and from Seoul to Fusan, in Corea.
2. Korea for the so-called Chinese Eastern Railway in Manchuria.
3. The Russo-Chinese Bank for a line from Ching-tai (a station on the Lu-Han line in Pechili) to Taiyuen, the capital of Shansi.
4. A Franco-Belgian Syndicate for a line (known as the Lu-Han line) from Peking to Hankow.
5. An American syndicate (which has agreed since to share its interest with the British and Chinese Corporation) the a line from Hankow to Canton.
6. Germany, for a Railway Triangle—from Kiaochow to Tsinan, Kiaochow to Yihien in Shantung.
7. An Anglo-German Syndicate for a line from Tientsin to the Yangtze opposite Chinkiang.
8. The British and Chinese Corporation for lines—
- (a) from Shanghai to Soochow and Nanking.
- (b) from Shanghai to Hangchow possible extension to Ningpo.
- (c) from Pukon (opposite Nanking) to Haiyang, a station on the Lu-Han railway, in Honan.
- (d) from Canton to Kowloon.
9. The Peking Syndicate for lines—
- (a) from Tientsin on the Wei River to Weihsai and Tachow.
- (b) from Tachow via Honan-fu to Sing-yang on the Han River.
10. France for lines from—
- (a) Peking to a point not yet determined on the bank of the West River (presumably Nanning).
- (b) Lunchow (on the frontier of Tong-King) to Nanning or Pese.
- (c) from the frontier of Tong-King (presumably Isokai) to Yunnan-fu.
- (d) Kwangchow Bay, across the neck of the peninsula, to Um-pu.

This list is imposing, says the Report, but many of the projects still remain dormant.

ANTI-FOREIGN FEELING IN SHANSI.

A dispatch received recently from members of the Reform Party at Taiyuen, capital of Shansi, reports that since the assumption, a short time ago, by Yu Hsien, ex-Governor of Shansi, of the office of Governor of the former province, that notorious hater of all things foreign has already begun to put a stop to all the reform measures of the former enlightened Governor, Hu Ping-chih, such as the College of Western Sciences, the Foreign Military Academy, cotton yarn and woollen mills, etc. Besides this he has also begun his system of opposition to foreigners in the province, a proceeding which, it will be remembered, was stopped, although too late in the day, by his being recalled by the Empress Dowager, owing to complaints made by some of the Foreign Ministers at Peking. It will also be borne in mind that when the news of Yu Hsien's appointment to Shansi was published in these columns about two months ago, a note of warning was sounded at the time of which might be expected from such an official in a province where the Peking Syndicate was just commencing its exploitations of railways and mines. As matters at present stand it also appears from the dispatch quoted that where foreigners always found the people friendly and glad to give help to strangers, they are now gradually becoming more hostile, the hint having evidently gone forth from the provincial capital that the high authorities of the province, and it would therefore be well that the people should also follow suit. Another note of warning may therefore now be sounded, and that is that the Boxers may now be expected to soon appear in Shansi also, for it is well known that this notorious Manchū Governor is the actual author of this anti-foreign association.—*N. C. D. News.*

THE WILY BEAR.

The Russian minister at Peking, according to a recent letter from that city, gave a grand banquet on the evening of the 11th instant at the Russian Legation, to which were invited nearly all the Ministers of the Tsungli Yamen, only those—one or two—who were known to be friendly to Great Britain being absent from the function. It is reported that the banquet was held to rejoice over the completion of a secret understanding between the two empires in anticipation of the coming movements of the Foreign Powers in the Boxer agitation. This explanation comes from reliable Chinese sources; at Peking, who also state that the alleged secret understanding between Russia and China has made the former Power paramount at Peking, for the present at any rate.—*N. C. D. News.*

NOT DEAD YET!

The *Shun Pao* says that it has received information from Peking stating that the eunuch Li Lien-yin is not dead nor even ill, and has been seen doing duty as usual.

WEI-HAI-WEI. A SMALL BATTLE.

On Sunday, the 5th, at Tsao Miao-tz early in the day, information was given that an attack by five thousand men was intended during the day. Preparations were made accordingly. Captain Watson's force consisted of Col. Serjeant Purdon and about thirty men. When the news of the attack was received, the Chinese, who numbered perhaps two thousand, approached within a thousand yards, Captain Watson sent a message to say that if they continued to advance he would fire. At seven hundred yards he gave the command and firing by sections continued for some time. Ten or so were killed, and ultimately the crowd dispersed. The natives had firearms and are said to have fired first, but probably out of range. Col. Bower was immediately reinforced by Chinese soldiers and twenty-five marines, and Captain Watson, with soldiers only. The government of the province is now questioning Col. Doward to effect the release of the Chinese officials. For this purpose Major Bruce, with seventy-five marines, went out to the Tsao Miao-tz camp. Holding the marines in reserve, Major Bruce went on to Tsao-tai with the soldiers, when he interviewed the Tao-tai, but found that gentleman most unwilling to take advantage of the laxity of his garrisons, who had fled. His many excuses were of no avail, and at last he was requested to be ready by ten the next morning. At the appointed hour Major Bruce re-appeared on the scene, and as he and his men descended the hill on one side of the valley, Colonel Wang, with a regiment of Chinese troops descended the hill on the other side. The Chinese Company's officers met the British troops and were at once escorted to Colonel Bower's camp, ten miles away. The Chinese officers and men were most friendly, and after passing compliments separated in good will. The regiment of Chinese had been sent from the camps in the direction of Chefoo to effect the release of the imprisoned officials, who have since returned to Weihaiwei.

PATROLLING THE BOUNDARY. Captain Lee M.C. completed the work to-day, and the Chinese Commissioners are expected back to-morrow. The Chinese Regiment is now under canvas in four camps, and will probably remain out for a month, patrolling the whole length of the boundary daily.

There can be little doubt that persistent efforts were made to arouse the country people to drive the British back to Weihai. Letters were received in every village within the boundary, and in many without, calling for armed help. Notice was sent to the Chinese soldiers that unless they deserted by a given time their houses would be destroyed and their friends punished. Hence, such soldiers and their families would join in the attack and those who were shot by their brothers and sons. Anyone connected with the foreigners would either be drowned or buried alive. The letters were unsigned, but it is known they emanated from Tao-tai, where the Chinese officials were prisoners, and the Wenteng magistrate's name is freely mentioned in connection with them. It is not easy to sift the rumours. The Wenteng magistrate is spoken of as a just and popular officer. He has been dismissed, it is stated, and his successor appointed. Another theory is that the Tao-tai himself was responsible for the inflammatory letters, and this is at least as likely as the other. But however that may be, events recounted in earlier letters make the Tao-tai's responsibility for the mischief abundantly evident. He wished to curry favour with the people and with his superiors. He overreached himself, little knowing what a fire he had kindled. No doubt the Chinese counted on the British facility for backing down in the face of threatened trouble. Even when they found they had to deal locally with determined men, they probably hoped the Legation at Peking would act as so often before. They did not understand that with the Legation in Peking but with the British force in London they had to deal. The instructions of the Government to the Administrator here, as announced in your columns, will be hailed with delight by every British resident in China, if they mark the inauguration of a new policy in dealing with this country.

WEI-HAI-WEI'S STATUS. Weihaiwei city must be included in British territory, as your correspondent has urged before. What is a city? Nanking is one, so is Peking, but what have such cities in common with Weihaiwei? A wall. In point of fact Weihaiwei is not a city at all, it is a walled village, nothing more, it has no civil rank, it is governed by a police magistrate, who is paid by the British, and is sparsely populated. Its possibilities as a head of sedition and mischief-making have been sufficiently illustrated during the last two years.

POSTAL DEFICIT. The suggestion made from time to time in your columns during the past year have so evidently met with favourable consideration at postal headquarters, that your correspondent would mention current disabilities, easily removable. In the first place we have but one steamer calling here regularly, the N.Y.K.'s *Nagato Maru*, which pays us a fortnightly visit. For some reason neither the Shanghai office on the outward, nor the Chefoo office on the inward, use this opportunity to send our mail matter along. This especially a hardship when an international mail is involved—though the mail for the Fleet is brought by the Japanese steamer. In the second place, where the International mail goes from Shanghai to Chefoo without calling here, the Naval authorities dispatch a gunboat to meet it there. Too often she returns with the bags for the fleet only, leaving the shore mail to come overland. It should not be too much to ask the staff of the Chefoo office to meet this exigency. The courtesy of the command of the gunboats is proverbial, so we can only assume that some slight necessity or something of that sort necessitates the loss of bags and consequent delay which involves the loss of the opportunity. But the difficulty cannot be insuperable.

OFFICIAL RECOGNITION NEEDED. One other matter of importance is that the British authorities should now publicly and officially recognise the transfer of territory. Until that is done they can always plead superior force to account for the foreigners' presence. And this official recognition can best be made by the handing over of the tax account books dealing with the land concerned. No other plan will be satisfactory, and until these books are obtained trouble will only follow trouble. There will not be any more fighting, but there is no ground to hope that the future holds no difficulties in store for the Government.—*N. C. D. News Cor.*

THE UNSAN MINES.

The *Shanghai Daily Press* understands that W. Pritchard Morgan and Co. have, by purchase, acquired the rights of the Emperor of Korea to royalty on the output of the Unsan Mines. The concession granted to the Company has also been extended to confer on Mr. Morgan authority to import all kinds of mining apparatus and stores, and to export the product of the mine free of duty, for considerations specified in the contract just concluded, the precise terms of which, however, our contemporary has been unable to ascertain.

TERRIBLE MASSACRE AT PAO-TING-FU.

News is to hand this week of another fierce attack on Catholic converts in the vicinity of Pao-ting-fu, at a village called Kao-li, 30 li from Tsing Hsien, and also at another place some 10 li from Tung-shu. No authentic details are as yet to hand, but there seems no room for doubt that at least sixty Christians have been killed. Some versions state that the Christians were holding service, when the chapel was attacked by Boxers, the doors fastened, and the building fired. This would easily account for the great loss of life. Others say that though a chapel was burnt, there was no one inside it. That a lamentable loss of life has in some way occurred at the hands of the Boxers is however quite certain, and we are glad to hear that the French Admiral is expected here immediately. We hope that the French Government will be roused to take very definite action in this matter now, and not pass it over. News is also to hand that the rioters are keeping things moving in Shantung. A native Christian was first killed at Kao-li; then the German railway engineers were driven back; and lastly the Magistrate at Kao-mi has been murdered. They are evidently doing their best to test how far they can go unpunished.—*P. & T. Times.*

PLUCKY TIENSIN BOYS.

We are glad to learn that two local youths displayed marked pluck and promptitude in the extinction of a fire which occurred one evening this week in a residence in Meadows Road. They were Master Earle Ragsdale and Tom Watts. The lady, seeing the lace curtains of the bedroom window ablaze, ran to rouse the household, and after some difficulty succeeded in bringing a sleeping child to the door, the mistress being out to dinner. As the man did not know what was going on upstairs, the lady had to force their way past him, and rushed upstairs, being met on their way by the house-dogs, who, noble little beasts, vehemently objected to their presence. They found the window sash and curtains in flames, and with the assistance of the servants who were by this time awake, managed to pull the curtains down and suppress the fire before it obtained any serious hold. But for their promptitude however, another serious fire might have occurred.—*P. & T. Times.*

THE POWERS AND CHINA.

A special telegram to the *China Gazette*, dated Peking, 24th May, says:—The Doyen of the Foreign Ministers has made a demand on the Tsungli Yamen that the Boxers be suppressed, otherwise the Foreign Powers will land troops.

FIRE AT SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, 24th May. A destructive fire occurred yesterday morning in Tientsin Road, resulting in the destruction by fire of one double house and serious damage to others by fire and water. The alarm was sounded at about 3.30 and the brigade turned out promptly with full equipment. The fire was found to have broken out in a double house, Nos. 607 and 608, on the upper floor, this being the place destroyed. No. 608 was badly damaged by fire and water, and Nos. 609 and 610 also suffered severely. The fire, the firemen was first-rate, and thanks to their efforts, what might have been a very much more serious loss was averted. The premises were for the greater part occupied as general stores, but, as the inmates have all cleared out, the police have difficulty in obtaining further particulars. Nos. 609 and 610 are insured for \$1,000 in the North British Office and \$1,800 in the Salamander office. Nos. 607 and 608 are insured in the Hamburg and Salamander offices. As usual the origin of the fire is a "mystery."—*N. C. D. News.*

JUNG LU'S HEALTH.

A telegram received by the Shanghai mandarins on 22nd inst. from Peking, states that the Grand Secretary, and Generalissimo, Jung Lu, who had been seriously ill of late, is now out of danger. There were fears at first that Jung Lu had been the victim of the friends of the Empress Dowager, lately deceased favourite eunuch, whom they accuse Jung Lu of having poisoned; but this charge, according to the telegram, was groundless.

O. S. K. STEAMER FOR THE YANGTZE.

The Directors of the O. S. K., at a meeting on the 19th inst. carried a resolution to build two steamers for the Yangtze service. The first will be of 5,700 tons, steaming 12 knots, and the other of 1,800 tons capacity, steaming 10 knots. The former has been ordered from the Mitsubishi Dockyard Co. of Nagasaki, and the latter from the Osaka Iron Works. The steamers will be fitted for passenger and cargo service. The term for delivery is fifteen months. The sister ships to the *Taipei Maru* ordered from the Mitsubishi Dockyard and the *Kawasaki Dockyard*, will be completed some time in September next. The above four new steamers, besides the *Taipei Maru*, will form the O.S.K. fleet in the Yangtze on completion.—*Kobe Herald.*

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

MAY.
Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1899.
Barometer 29.867
Thermometer 75.2
Humidity 84.0
Rainfall 15.0

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.
On date at 10 a.m. On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer 29.84 29.76
Temperature 82 85
Humidity 78 66
Rainfall 0.06 —

TO-DAY.

Wednesday, 30th May, 1900.
Chinese—3rd of 5th moon of 26th year of Kwang-shu.
Sun—Rises 5hr. 17min.
Sets 5hr. 37min.
High water—Morning 5hr. 30min.
Afternoon 5hr. 48min.
Low water—Morning 4hr. 40min.
Afternoon 4hr. 37min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1744—Alexander Pope died.
1831—First Public Meeting of British subjects at Canton.
1842—Attempted assassination of the Queen by John Francis.

1851—H.M.S. *Renard* lost on Pratas reef while attempting to save the crew of the *Velepsede*.
1857—The Indian Mutiny broke out at Lucknow.
1869—The *Opessum* with the Yangtze Exploring Expedition returned to Hankow.
1888—Opening of the Peak Tramway, Hongkong.
1890—Arrival of the King of Siam Singapore.
1897—Halo accident at Bay View; the zeppelin injured.
1898—Agreement signed between England and America to settle disputes. Reciprocal treaty signed between America and France.

TO-MORROW.

Thursday, 31st May, 1900.
Chinese—4th of 5th moon of 26th year of Kwang-shu.
Sun—Rises 5hr. 16min.
Sets 5hr. 37min.
High water—Morning 5hr. 30min.
Afternoon 5hr. 48min.
Low water—Morning 4hr. 40min.
Afternoon 4hr. 37min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1431—Joan of Arc burnt.
1844—Annexation of Natal.
1851—Hottentot rebellion in Kaffraria.
1859—The Austrians repulsed by the French at Palestro.
1875—Typhoon at Hongkong and Macao; loss of the *Porang* with 180 lives.
1890—Capital of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank increased to \$10,000,000.
1894—Mr. Chappell, chief officer *R. C. Levin*, and boat's crew drowned off Hainan Head.
1898—Admiral Schley bombarded forts at month of Santiago harbour. Typhoon over Manila.

AGENDA.

TO-DAY.
Cargo ex *Kamakura Maru* subject to rent.
Cargo ex *Nippon Maru* subject to rent.

TO-MORROW.

FRIDAY, 1st JUNE.
4 p.m.—T. K. K. Co.'s steamer *Nippon Maru* leaves for San Francisco.
4 p.m.—C. N. Co.'s steamer *Kaifong* leaves for Manila, &c.
5 p.m.—C. & M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Menmuir* leaves for Manila.
8 p.m.—Regular Meeting of the Lion and Lodge.
8.30 for 9 p.m.—Regular Meeting of the Zealand Lodge at Freemasons' Hall.

SATURDAY, 2nd.

Cargo ex *Renard* subject to rent.
Noon—L. C. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Kumsang* leaves for Straits.
Noon—O. S. K. Co.'s steamer *Patrolleur* leaves for London via Suez Canal.
Noon—E. & A. S. Co.'s steamer *Arlie* leaves for Australia.
4.15 p.m.—2nd Gynkhana Meeting of the Season at Happy Valley (Weather permitting).

SUNDAY, 3rd.

Monday, 4th.
p.m.—A. L. S. N. Co.'s steamer *India* leaves for Bombay etc.
4 p.m.—N. Y. K. steamer *Riojun Maru* leaves for Victoria B.C. and Seattle U.S.A.

TUESDAY, 5th.

3 p.m.—Public Auction Sale of Crown Land at the Offices of the P. W. D. (Lots 272).
WEDNESDAY, 6th.
C. P. R. steamer *Empress of China* leaves for Victoria B.C. via Honolulu.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.
American (City of Rio de Janeiro) 1st prox. Tacoma (Brazilian) 2nd prox.
French (Lyon) 3rd prox.
American (Coptic) 6th prox.
American (America Maru) 16th prox.
American (City of Peking) 25th prox.

The Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer *India*, left Shanghai for this port last night.

The N. P. S. Co.'s steamer *Duke of Fife*, has arrived at Yokohama and sailed for Tacoma yesterday.

The N. G. I. steamer *Romilda*, left Singapore for this port this morning and is due here on or about the 5th June.

The steamer *Afghanistan*, from New York and Straits left Manila yesterday, the 29th inst. and is due here on or about the 1st prox.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 29th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Coptic*, with mails &c., from San Francisco to the 11th inst. via Honolulu, has arrived Yokohama, and will leave for this port to-morrow morning via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.
U.S.S. *Manter* at Kowloon Dock.
H.M.S. *Tamar* " "
W. H. Smith " "
Nippon Maru " "
Independence Cosmopolitan
Dennong " "
Heungshan " "

PASSED THE CANAL.
Outward—2nd May—Erzerzog, Ferdinand, 5th May—Dardanis, Glaucon, Asturin, Frederic, Forest-Dale, 9th May—Benlous, Ophack, Canton, Oldenburg, 12th May—Mentelous, Hitachi Maru, 15th May—Benlous, Kantschi Maru, Wittenberg, Lows, Heidelberg, Faking, Norman Isles, Kurdistan, 22nd May—Spayne, Vindobona, Paltan, Caladan, Kohn, Leopoldin, Sisking, Bayern, Indranelli, 29th May—Stentor, Tonkin, Wakan Maru, Chitogeon, 29th May—Bingo Maru, Valeria, Kintick, Arana, Dresden.

Homeward—22nd May—Yarra, 20th May—Brina, Hirsch, Ernest, Simon, Sibilia.
Arrivals at Hong—16th May—Annam, 23rd May—Kasachi Maru, 30th May—Melponia, Weimar, Breckshire, Heidelberg, Yarra, Galgate.

Shipping.

Arrivals.
MEEFOO, Chinese steamer, 1,339 T. Sleeman, 30th May—Shanghai 29th May, General.
—O. M. N. N. Y.

OLDENBURG, German steamer, 3,167, H. Prager, 29th May—Bremen 18th April, and Singapore 25th May, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.
CHANGSHA, British steamer, 1,463, T. Moore, 29th May—Sydney 1st May, Thursday Id. 10th, Port Darwin 13th, and Manila 27th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
SUNGKIAN, British steamer, 1,021, S. W. Moore, 29th May—Manila 27th May, Hemp and Sugar.—Butterfield & Swire.
RIOJUN MARU, Japanese steamer, 5,972, J. W. Eskland, 29th May—Seattle, U.S.A. via Shanghai 25th April, Beer and General, &c.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
KACHIDATE MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,143, S. Fujiki, 30th May—Mojito 24th May, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
EMPRESS OF CHINA, British steamer, 3,003, R. Archibald, R.N.R., 30th May—Vancouver 8th May, and Shanghai 27th May, Mails and General.—C. P. R. Co.
FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, A. E. Hodgins, 30th May—Swatow 29th May, General.—Longlake, Lapack & Co.
HAKATA MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,813, F. L. Sommer, 30th May—Yokohama 26th May, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
WINGSANG, British steamer, 1,517, T. H. Sellar, 30th May—Shanghai 25th May, and Swatow 29th, General.—Jauding, Matheson & Co.
TAMUJI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,007, K. Sobajima, 30th May—Amoy and Swatow 29th May, General.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
UNDAUNTED, British steamer, 5,600, A. C. Clarke, 30th May—Manila 27th May.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.
Meefoo, Chinese str., for Canton.
Sifkora, British str., for Samsui.
Hakata Maru, Japanese str., for Shanghai.
Hakata Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.
Hakata Maru, Japanese str., for Amoy.
Tatsumi Maru, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
Kongum, British str., for Canton.
Guthrie, British str., for Nagasaki.

DEPARTURES.
May 30, Hamburg, German str., for Europe.
May 30, Clara, German str., for Hothow.
May 30, Nippon Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.
May 30, Hailan, French str., for Hothow.
May 30, Hailan, British str., for Swatow.
May 30, G. T. H. B. Irish ship, for New York.
May 30, Renard, British str., for Nagasaki.
May 30, Akiba Maru, Japanese str., for Shanghai.
May 30, Akiba Maru, Chinese str., for Canton.

PASSENGERS.—ATTEMPT.
Per *Meefoo*, from Shanghai—8 Chinese.
Per *Formosa*, from Swatow—Mr. Ark, and 43 Chinese.
Per *Kiyon Maru*, from Shanghai—Mrs. Catamont, Mr. Jefferson, 16 Chinese and 1 Japanese.
Per *Changsha*, from Australia—Mrs. Molloy, Miss Wetherpoon, Mr. and Mrs. Sheil, Mr. and Mrs. C. Holt, and Mr. Combes. From Manila—Messrs. Fernandez, Canner, Spatt, and 36 Chinese.
Per *Sungkian*, from Manila—Messrs. Y. Koike, Antonio Fernandez, and servant, Felix Marfari, Jos. Hulters, P. Jackson, John M. Paul, Jas. A. Hall, Chas. Cunningham, J. Stewart, and 24 Chinese.

Per *Oldenburg*, for Hongkong from Bremen Rev. Tietemann, and Mr. George Ludwig from Colombo—Messrs. terburg and Liesa Bondorf. From Peking—Messrs. H. Oppenheim, Jan Loh Choo, Chin Phoy, and 53 Chinese. From Singapore—Messrs. W. C. Michell, W. F. Donaldson, A. Flegelhauf, Consul Thio Jiam Loo, Messrs. E. W. Schneider, Madames Nigte, J. Brega, Mrs. R. Kernkloven, L. Gazanti, Ling Po and James Steward.
Per *Empress of China*, from Vancouver—Mr. H. A. Biden, Mrs. G. F. Bailey, Messrs. W. W. Ganong, J. B. ras, W. Whyte and W. H. Culver. From Yokohama—Mrs. Yoshida, Prof. E. H. Shorge, Messrs. B. Hubbard, H. Gillard, and Lieut. Galt and Mrs. Berde. From Kobe—Miss Mellin. From Nagasaki—Mrs. W. J. Sears. From Shanghai—Mr. M. B. Cohen, Mrs. C. W. Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. Su Ying Chow, Mr. A. G. Morin, Capt. A. Tillet, Mr. Wittes, Mrs. Keswick, 89 Chinese and 2 Japanese.
Per *Hingung*, from Swatow—2 Europeans and 7 Chinese.

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EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, May 29th.
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1/11 7/16
Bank Bills, on demand 1/11 7/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/11 7/16
D'ments, 4 months' sight 1/11 7/16
ON BERLIN, (demand) 2.400
Credits, 4 months' sight 2.500
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 47 1/2
Credits, 30 days' sight 48 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 146 1/2
On demand 146 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 71 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight 72 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 31 per cent. prem.
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate 510.15
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael 53.00
Bar Silver 279 7/16
Dollars 14 per cent. prem.

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, May 29th.
New Patna 955 per chest.
Old Patna 1.050
New Benares 980
Old Benares 1.030
New Malwa 880 per picul.
Old Malwa 910/915
Persian, paper tied 920/925

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

(May 30th.)

Companies.	Paid up Capital.	Latest quotation.
Banks.		
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$125	32 1/2 premium
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Preference)	£ 5	Nominal
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Ordinary)	£ 4	£1 buyers
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Deferred)	£ 1	£5.5 buyers
National Bank of China, Ltd.	£ 8	\$27
Do. Founders	£ 1	\$20
Marine Insurance.		
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$260
China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$54
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	£ 25	Tls. 165
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	£ 60	\$121
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$130
Straits Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$1
Fire Insurance.		
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$295
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$80
Shipping.		
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited	\$ 15	\$304
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$91
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$100
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$49
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Pref.)	£ 10	\$10.10
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Ordinary)	£ 10	\$10.10
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Deferred)	£ 5	\$5
Star Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$18 ex div.
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£100	\$300
Refineries.		
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$125
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$37
Mining.		
Punjab Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 7	\$6.20
Punjab Mining Preference Shares	\$ 1	\$1.20
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fcs. 250	\$300
Queen Mines, Ltd.	25 cts.	\$0.18
Jelabu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$12
Reliance Mining Co., Ltd.	15s. 10d.	\$58
Oliver Freehold Mines, Ltd. A	\$ 5	\$4
Oliver Freehold Mines, Ltd. B	\$ 4	\$34
Great Eastern & Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$0.50
Do. (Preference)	\$ 1	\$0.40
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.		
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$125	400 % premium
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$86
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ltd.	\$ 37 1/2	\$54 buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$21
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.		
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$9.90
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$128
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$26
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$49
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$120
Humphrey's Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$10.75
Cotton Mills.		
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$37
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 65
International Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 63
Lao-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 70
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	Tls. 400
Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 57
Miscellaneous.		
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$204
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$23
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$16
Watkins, Limited	\$ 10	\$10.50
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$11.75
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 2	\$2.10
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$135
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$177
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$48
H'kong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$165
H'kong High Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$166
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$64
Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$50 buyers
Campbell, Moore and Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$16
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 1	\$1 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	\$8
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$11
Carmichael & Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$8
Tobacco Planting Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$5
Tobacco Planting Co., Ltd.	\$ 4	\$4

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VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

AIRLIE, British steamer, 2,500, St. John George, 26th May, Kobe 21st May, and Moji 22nd General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
AUSTRIAN, British steamer, 3,000, P. T. Helms, 29th May, Sydney 30th April, Brisbane and May, Townsville 5th, Cairns 6th, Thursday Island 10th, Port Darwin 16th, Dilihi (Timor Id.) 18th, and Manila 26th, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
AYR, British steamer, 1,955, W. H. Gibson, 25th May, Kutchinotzu 20th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
BELLEROPHON, British steamer, 1,312, Lyons, 26th May, Fanning 10th May, and Singapore 22nd, General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHOWA, British steamer, 1,055, J. Williamson, 24th May, Bangkok 18th May, Rice and Wood—Yuen Fat Hong.
DEVAWONGSE, British steamer, 1,057, R. Curtis, 17th April, Saigon 13th April, General—Yuen Fat Hong.
GUTHRIE, British steamer, 1,494, W. G. McArthur, 21st May, Sydney 24th April, Newcastle 26th, Thursday Island 4th May, and Manila 18th, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
HAICHING, British steamer, 1,267, Hall, 29th 29th May, Fochow 25th May, Amoy 27th, and Swatow 28th, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
HANKOW, American transport, 3,000, K. Strine, 26th May, San Francisco 17th April.
HATING, French steamer, 705, Bast, 28th May, Haiphong and Hoihow 27th May, General—A. R. Marty.
INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 871, A. Hantz, 12th April, Samarang 3rd April, General—Sander, Weller & Co.
KAIFONG, British steamer, 1,024, G. H. Penfather, 23rd May, Hong Kong 15th May, Hump and Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
KUMSANG, British steamer, 2,078, G. Payne, 23rd May, Singapore 17th May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MAUSANG, British steamer, 1,644, J. Kyoack, 24th May, Sandakan 18th May, Timber—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MAZAGON, British steamer, 3,279, R. J. L. Cook, R.N.R., 28th May, London 31st Mar, and Singapore 23rd May, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
MERMUIR, British steamer, 1,286, R. W. Almond, 26th May, Manila 23rd May, Sugar, Hump and General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
NANYANG, German steamer, 653, T. Schmann, 29th May, Surabaya 20th May, Sugar—Siemens & Co.
NIPPON MARU, Japanese steamer, 6,060, J. F. Allen, 24th May, San Francisco 25th April, Honolulu 15th May, Yokohama 15th, Kobe 17th, Nagasaki 19th, and Shanghai 21st, Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
PAKHOTI, British steamer, 1,248, C. C. Williams, 25th May, Tongku 18th May, Groundnuts—Butterfield & Swire.
PHRA NANG, British steamer, 1,621, A. S. Calder, 26th May, Bangkok 14th May, General—Butterfield & Swire.
ROSSALL, British steamer, 1,751, C. Glenfield, 24th May, Otaru (Japan) 14th May, Coals—Order.
TAIYUAN, British steamer, 1,450, R. Nelson, 26th May, Melbourne 13th Feb, Sydney 27th, Townsville 3rd Mar, Thursday Island 8th, Port Darwin 11th, and Manila 23rd, General—Butterfield & Swire.
TATEGAMI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,644, M. Tamae, 26th May, Moji 21st May, Coal—Nissan Kaisha.
TRITON, German steamer, 1,033, P. Lassen, 29th May, Saigon 23rd May, Rice—Siemens & Co.
TSURUGI MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,550, Narasaki, 21st May, Kutchinotzu 15th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
WHAMPOA, British steamer, 1,109, P. Garriock, 24th May, Java Ports 15th May, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

Hongkong, May 30th, 1900.
Alacrity, despatch-vessel, 1,700 tons, 10-6 p.d. P. M. Cradock, Wei-hai-wei.
Algerine, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p. Comdr. R. H. J. Stewart, Nagasaki.
Aurora, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. E. H. Bayly, Japan.
Barfleur, 1st class battleship, 13,000 tons, 14 guns, 15,163 h.p., Captain G. J. S. Warrender, Wei-hai-wei.
Bonaventure, 2nd class cruiser, 4,350 tons, 18 guns, 8,000 h.p., Commander A. H. Smith-Dorrien, R.N., Manila.
Britia, British cruiser, 1,770 tons, 6 guns, 1,600 h.p., Commander Sir Bouchie Wrey, Barb, Singapore.
Centurion, British flagship, 10,500 tons, 14 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. J. R. Jellicoe, Shanghai.
Daphne, sloop, 1,140 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 h.p. Com. C. Vinnington-Ingram, Canton.
Endymion, British cruiser, 7,350 tons, Capt. G. A. Callaghan, Japan.
Essex, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. Chadwick, Ichang.
Fame, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 5,000 h.p., Lieut. Com. W. J. Keyes, Hongkong.
Firebrand, 3rd class gunboat, 453 tons, 4 guns, 360 h.p., Hongkong.
Handy, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 280 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.
Hart, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.
Hermione, British cruiser, 4,360 tons, Capt. R. S. D. Cunningham, Shanghai.
Humber, storeship, 1,640 tons, 800 h.p., Com. H. J. Davison, Wei-hai-wei.
Linnor, gun-vessel, 750 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4 6-pounders, 870 h.p., Commander W. W. Smythe, Hongkong.
Orlando, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. J. H. Burke, Wei-hai-wei.
Peacock, 1st class gunboat, 775 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. P. R. Goode, Shanghai.
Phenix, British gunboat, 1,015 tons, Comdr. R. C. Fraser, Shanghai.
Plymouth, 1st class gunboat, 750 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. J. F. E. Green, Philippines.
Pique, twin screw, and class cruiser, 3,600 tons, 8 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. H. C. Reynolds, Singapore.

Plow, 1st class gunboat, 453 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. O. V. de M. Cowper, Hongkong.
Redpole, British gunboat, 855 tons, Lieut. Com. C. F. Corbett, Hongkong.
Robin, British river gunboat, 2 guns, Lieut. Com. G. C. Webster, on the West River.
Sandpiper, British river gunboat, 2 guns, Lt. Comdr. Carr, on the West River.
Swift, gun-vessel, 750 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4 6-pounders, 870 h.p., Hongkong.
Tamar, receiving ship, 4,000 tons, Comdr. Powell, C.B., Hongkong.
Terrible, British cruiser, 14,200 tons, 30 guns, 25,000 h.p., Captain Percy Scott, C.B., Hongkong.
Tweed, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. D. Roper, on the West River.
Undaunted, 1st class cruiser, 5,600 tons, 12 guns, 8,500 h.p., Capt. A. C. Clarke, Wei-hai-wei.
Waterwitch, surveying vessel, 630 tons, Lieut. Commander W. D. Lyne, Ningpo.
Whiting, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6,000 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. E. Kelly, Hongkong.
Wivern, coast defence ship, 2,750 tons, 4 guns, 1,000 h.p., Hongkong.
Woodcock, British gunboat, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Watson, on the Yangtze.
Woodlark, British gunboat, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. H. E. Hillman, on the Yangtze.
Torpedo-boats in Reserve Nos. 8 and 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first-class; and 3 second-class boats.

Miscellaneous.
Liberal, Portuguese gunboat, 558 tons, Comdr. José da Cunha Lima, Hongkong.
Presidente Sarmiento, Argentine cruiser, 2,850 tons, Capt. Betheder, Manila.
Zaire, Portuguese gunboat, 600 tons, Captain Fonto, Hongkong.
Zenit, Austrian cruiser, 2,500 tons, Captain Edward Thomann von Montalmar, Swatow.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

The Russian Squadron.
Admiral Korniloff, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,000 tons, twin screw, 36 guns, 9,500 h.p., Captain Iakovlev, at Nagasaki.
Albatross, Russian gunboat, 810 tons, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Captain Elkski, at Nagasaki.
Bobr, Russian gun-vessel, twin screw, 950 tons, 13 guns, 1,150 h.p., Captain Dobrovolsky, at Nagasaki.
Dimitri Donkoff, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,893 tons, twin screw, 34 guns, 7,000 h.p., Comdr. Sharon, at Nagasaki.
Gaidamak, Russian gunboat, 400 tons, twin screw, 18 guns, 3,500 h.p., Capt. Serebrennikoff, at Nagasaki.
Gremitschik, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,492 tons, twin screw, 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Mikhashevsky, at Nagasaki.
Koryetev, Russian cruiser, 1,200 tons, 9 guns, 2,150 h.p., Capt. Silinann, at Nagasaki.
Mandjuri, Russian cruiser, 1,213 tons, twin screw, 14 guns, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Yakovlev, at Nagasaki.
Navarin, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 10 guns, 6,000 h.p., Capt. Yenish, at Nagasaki.
Nayednik, Russian cruiser, 1,334 tons, 13 guns, 1,800 h.p., Capt. Zaitze, at Nagasaki.
Ovranzy, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,490 tons, twin screw, 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Captain Corniaff, at Nagasaki.
Petropavlovsk, Russian battleship, 12,000 tons, Capt. Greivas, at Japan.
Rostia, Russian armoured cruiser, 12,200 tons, 22 guns, 14,500 h.p., Capt. Domojitoff, at Nagasaki.
Roosby, Russian cruiser, 1,330 tons, Capt. Komaroff, at Manila.
Rurik, Russian flagship, 10,940 tons, armoured twin screw cruiser, 1st class, 48 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Haupt, at Port Arthur.
Silach, Russian gunboat, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Buranoff, at Nagasaki.
Sisak, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 14 guns, 8,300 h.p., Capt. Mollas, at Nagasaki.
Sivoutch, Russian gunboat, 950 tons, twin screw 13 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Soubatin, at Nagasaki.
Suevborg, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 69 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 780 h.p., speed 19.7 knots.
Vladimir Monomash, Russian cruiser, 6,000 tons, 16 guns, Prince Ouchtomsky, at Port Arthur.
Vostok, Russian torpedo gunboat, 4 guns, 650 h.p., Com. Molchousky, at Nagasaki.
Vladiv, Russian torpedo boat, 400 tons, 18 guns, twin screw, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Rogulja, at Nagasaki.
Zabinka, Russian cruiser, 1,530 tons, 20 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Shluff, at Nagasaki.
(Let and 2nd class.)
Forel, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Jantchich, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 19 knots.
Nargen, Russian torpedo boat, 85 tons, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., 22 knots.
Neverassich, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 2,000 h.p., 22 knots.
Podorsnik, Russian torpedo boat, 13 tons, 1 gun, 200 h.p., 16 knots.
Sisak, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Schorpion, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Sootchka, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 19 knots.
Sterlaid, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Straus, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Sungur, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, 1,800 h.p., 22 knots.

RUSSIAN TORPEDO FLOTILLA (SEA GOING).

Doigo, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 81 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 1,100 h.p., speed 21 knots.
Reval, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 76 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 780 h.p., speed 22 knots.
Ussuri, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, 1,800 h.p., 22 knots.
† Flagship of Vice-Admiral Alexieff.
† Flagship of Rear-Admiral F. V. Dubossioff.
† Flagship of Rear-Admiral Kennoff.

THE FRENCH SQUADRON.

Bengali, 2nd class dispatch-boat, Lt. Comdr. De La Croix de Castries, at Haiphong.
D'Entrecasteaux, 1st class cruiser, 8,100 tons, 26 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. de Manolles, at Japan.
Descartes, 2nd class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns 531 h.p., Captain Philibert, Japan.
Eure, Dispatch-transport, Capt. Vallée, at Saigon.
Jean Bart, 1st class cruiser, 4,500 tons, 10 guns, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Aubin, at Kwang-chow-wan.
Kersaint, 3rd class cruiser, 1,300 tons, 13 guns, 2,200 h.p., Capt. de la Moite de Portail, at Saigon.
Lion, gunboat, 500 tons, 8 guns, 576 h.p., Capt. Frost, at Hongkong.
Pascal, 2nd class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. M. Motel, at Yokohama.

Surprise, gunboat, 700 tons, 10 guns, 800 h.p., Capt. Morne, at Saigon.
† Flagship of Vice-Admiral Courtejoles.

THE GERMAN SQUADRON.

Gefion, German cruiser, 4,200 tons, 25 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Rollmann, at Manila.
Hansa, German cruiser, 6,400 tons, Capt. Pohl, at Singapore.
Hertha, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, Capt. S. V. Usedom, at Japan.
Itis, German gunboat, 1,000 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., Capt. H. H. Lans, at Amoy.
Irene, German cruiser, 4,400 tons, 23 guns, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Stein, at Formosa.
Jaguar, German cruiser, Captain Kinderling, at Shanghai.
Kaiserin Augusta, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, 12 guns, 13,400 h.p., Captain Gulich, at Shanghai.
† Flagship of Admiral Fritze.

THE AMERICAN SQUADRON.

Baltimore, Flagship, U.S. cruiser, 4,413 tons, 10 guns, 10,064 h.p., Capt. J. M. Forsyth, en route Singapore.
Bennington, U.S. gunboat, 1,710 tons, 6 guns, 3,436 h.p., Com. C. H. Arnold, at Manila.
Brooklyn, Flagship, U.S. cruiser, 9,000 tons, Capt. C. M. Thomas, at Hongkong.
Callao, U.S. gunboat, 137 tons, 1 gun, 55 h.p., Lieut. Benjamin Tappan, at Manila.
Castine, U.S. gunboat, 1,330 tons, 8 guns, 2,190 h.p., Comdr. S. W. Very, at Japan.
Celtic, U.S. supply-ship, 6,428 tons, 1,890 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. N. J. K. Patch, at Manila.
Concord, U.S. gunboat, 1,700 tons, 6 guns, 3,405 h.p., Comdr. S. M. Ackley, at Manila.
Culp, U.S. supply-ship, 7,000 tons, 2,350 h.p., Comdr. J. W. Catlin, at Manila.
Glacier, U.S. supply-ship, Lieut. Comdr. J. B. Briggs, at Manila.
Helena, U.S. gunboat, 1,397 tons, 8 guns, 1,998 h.p., Comdr. E. K. Moore, at Manila.
Iris, U.S. distilling-ship, 6,100 tons, 1,300 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Everett, at Manila.
Manila, U.S. gunboat, 1,057 tons, 2 guns, 750 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. A. P. Nazro, at Manila.
Monadnock, U.S. double-turret monitor, 4,000 tons, 6 guns, 3,000 h.p., Comdr. John McGowan, at Manila.
Monterey, U.S. gunboat, 1,370 tons, 6 guns, 850 h.p., Com. G. A. Bicknell, at Shanghai.
Montevideo, U.S. double-turret monitor, 4,000 tons, 4 guns, 5,244 h.p., Comdr. C. W. Pignun, at Hongkong.
New York, U.S. collier, Lieut. L. A. Kaiser, at Manila.
Oregon, 1st class U.S. battleship, 10,288 tons, 16 guns, 11,111 h.p., Capt. G. F. F. Wilde, at Manila.
Petrel, U.S. gunboat, 892 tons, 4 guns, 1,095 h.p., Comdr. C. C. Cornwell, at Manila.
Princeton, U.S. gunboat, 1,000 tons, 6 guns, 800 h.p., Comdr. Harry Knox, at Manila.
Scindia, U.S. cruiser, 7,500 tons, Comdr. J. M. Miller, U.S.N., at Manila.
Solace, U.S. cruiser, 5,000 tons, Comdr. Demulip, at Manila.
Wheeling, U.S. gunboat, 1